

# Working safely with wood preservatives

## Biocides: recognise them and protect yourself!

Wood preservation companies use impregnating agents on a daily basis to protect wood against fungi and insects, among other things. These products are called biocides and can present health risks for your own and your colleagues'. Be careful and remember these tips to protect yourself.

### Watch out for the risks

All important information is to be found on the label, package leaflet or safety data sheet. So read them carefully.

**Danger**



Irritating/harmful

Caustic/corrosive

Dangerous for the environment

SAMPLE LABEL

1L

**PRODUCT NAME**

Causes serious eye damage.

Harmful if inhaled.

In case of contact with skin or eyes: rinse with water.

If inhaled: get some fresh air and consult a physician.



**Biocides?**  
I use them with the necessary caution

### Work safely



Wear appropriate work clothing and safety footwear. Always wear safety goggles and do not forget your chemical resistant gloves (type B). Wash your hands regularly.

More information and an overview of all authorised biocidal products is to be found on

[www.biocide.be](http://www.biocide.be)

**Do you still have questions?**

Please feel free to contact your employer.

